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## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK

Examiner: B. Forman In re application of: CHEE et al. Group Art Unit: 1656 RECEIVED Serial No. 09/425,633 APR 1 1 2001 Filed: October 22, 1999 TECH CENTER 1600/2900 SEQUENCE DETERMINATION For: OF NUCLEIC ACIDS USING ARRAYS WITH MICROSPHERES

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**Assistant Commissioner** for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In satisfaction of the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant wishes to draw the attention of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to the references cited on the accompanying form PTO-1449. Copies of the documents are enclosed.

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With respect to patent applications, the applicants point out their duty under MOP/EODO \$2001.06(b) to disclose relevant patent applications of which they are aware. To this end, the applicants draw the Examiner's attention to the following patent applications;

- 1. United States Serial Number 09/535,854, filed March 27, 2000.
- 2. U.S.S.N. 09/287,573, filed April 6, 1999, which is a continuation of 08/944, 850, filed October 6, 1997; and U.S.S.N. 09/189,543, filed November 10, 1998.
- 3. U.S.S.N. 09/151,877, filed September 11, 1998, which is a divisional of U.S.S.N. 08/818,199, filed March 14, 1997, now Patent Number 6,023,540; and U.S.S.N. 09/450,829, filed November 29, 1999.
- 4. U.S.S.N. 09/256,943, filed February 24, 1999; U.S.S.N. 09/473,904, filed December 28, 1999; and U.S.S.N. 09/606,369, filed June 28, 2000.
- 5. U.S.S.N. 09/189,543, filed November 10, 1998, and U.S.S.N. 09,344,526, filed June 24, 1999.
- U.S.S.N. 09/553,993, filed April 20, 2000, and U.S.S.N. 09/556,463, filed April 21,
   2000.

None of the foregoing references are believed to disclose the invention as claimed.

Nothing herein shall constitute an admission concerning the contents of any of the cited references, nor shall the inclusion of a reference herein be considered an admission that the reference constitutes prior art against the invention claimed in the above-identified application. Submission of the present document shall not be construed as an admission that a search has been made or that better art does not exist.

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